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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration** 

[A-433-813]

Strontium Chromate from Austria: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty

Administrative Review; 2019-2020

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of

Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that strontium chromate from Austria was not sold in the United States at less than normal value (NV) during the period of review (POR) of June 18, 2019, through October 31, 2020.

**DATES:** Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE Federal Register].

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jaron Moore or Brian Smith, AD/CVD Operations, Office VIII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3640 or (202) 482-1766, respectively.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Background

On November 27, 2019, Commerce published the antidumping duty order on strontium chromate from Austria.<sup>1</sup> On January 6, 2020, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), Commerce initiated an administrative review of the *Order*,<sup>2</sup> covering one company, Habich GmbH (Habich).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Strontium Chromate from Austria and France: Antidumping Duty Orders, 84 FR 65349 (November 27, 2019) (Order).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 86 FR 511 (January 6, 2021) (Initiation Notice).

On June 29, 2021, we extended the deadline for the preliminary results of this review until November 19, 2021.<sup>3</sup> For a detailed description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>4</sup>

## Scope of the *Order*

The merchandise covered by the *Order* is strontium chromate from Austria. For a complete description of the scope of the order, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Constructed export price and export price were calculated in accordance with section 772 of the Act. NV is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act.

For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at http://access.trade.gov. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed at http://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx. A list of the topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is attached as an appendix to this notice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Strontium Chromate from Austria: Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of 2019-2020 Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated June 29, 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Strontium Chromate from Austria, 2019-2020," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

#### **Preliminary Results**

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following weighted-average dumping margin exists for the period June 18, 2019, through October 31, 2020:

Exporter/ Producer	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (Percent)
Habich GmbH	0.00

#### Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed for these preliminary results of review to interested parties within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, the content of which is limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than seven days after the date for filing case briefs.<sup>5</sup> Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) a statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.<sup>6</sup> Executive summaries should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS. An electronically filed request must be received successfully in its entirety by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.<sup>7</sup> Requests should contain: (1) the party's name, address and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues parties intend to discuss. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case and rebuttal briefs. If a request for a hearing is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

made, Commerce intends to hold a hearing at a time and date to be determined.<sup>8</sup> Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

All submissions to Commerce must be filed using ACCESS<sup>9</sup> and must be served on interested parties.<sup>10</sup> An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the date that the document is due. Note that Commerce has modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information until further notice.<sup>11</sup>

### Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and U.S Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b). For any individually examined respondent whose weighted-average dumping margin is not zero or *de minimis* (*i.e.*, less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review and the respondent reported entered values, we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rates based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales to the total entered value of those sales, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). Where we do not have entered values for all U.S. sales to a particular importer, we will calculate an importer-specific per-unit assessment rate on the basis of the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales to the total quantity of those sales. To determine whether an importer-specific, per-unit assessment rate is *de minimis*, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2), we also will calculate an importer-specific *ad valorem* ratio based on estimated entered values. Where an importer-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See 19 CFR 351.303(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See 19 CFR 351.303(f).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19, 85 FR 17006 (March 26, 2020); and Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19; Extension of Effective Period, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

specific *ad valorem* assessment rate is zero or *de minimis* in the final results of review, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties in accordance with 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2). If a respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis* in the final results of review, we will instruct CBP not to assess duties on any of its entries in accordance with the *Final Modification for Reviews*, *i.e.*, "{w}here the weighted-average margin of dumping for the exporter is determined to be zero or *de minimis*, no antidumping duties will be assessed."<sup>13</sup>

In accordance with Commerce's "automatic assessment" practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by Habich for which it did not know that the merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate those entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.<sup>14</sup>

Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the *Federal Register*. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

### Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of the final results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for Habich will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established in the final results of this review, except if the rate is less than 0.50 percent and, therefore, *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), in which case the cash

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings; Final Modification, 77 FR 8101, 8102 (February 14, 2012) (Final Modification for Reviews).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> For a full discussion of this practice, see Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

deposit rate will be zero; (2) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior completed

review, or the less-than-fair value (LTFV) investigation, but the producer is, then the cash

deposit rate will be the company-specific rate established for the most recently-completed

segment of this proceeding for the producer of subject merchandise; and (3) the cash deposit rate

for all other producers and exporters will continue to be 25.90 percent, the all-others rate

established in the LTFV investigation.<sup>15</sup>

These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further

notice.

Final Results of Review

Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the

results of its analysis of the issues raised in any case or rebuttal briefs, no later than 120 days

after the date of publication of this notice, unless extended.<sup>16</sup>

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19

CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior

to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement

could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and

the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1)

and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: November 19, 2021.

Ryan Majerus,

Deputy Assistant Secretary

for Policy and Negotiations,

Performing the Non-Exclusive Functions and Duties of the

<sup>15</sup> See Order.

<sup>16</sup> See section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act; and 19 CFR 351.213(h).

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

## **Appendix**

# List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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